

REMARKS

The Office Action mailed March 23, 2007 has been received and the Examiner's comments carefully reviewed. Claims 1-22 are currently pending. Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims are in condition for allowance.

Oath/Declaration

The Oath/Declaration is deemed defective for failing to state an error which is relied upon to support the reissue application. Applicants have herewith submitted a substitute declaration/statement in which deleted claim limitations are specifically identified. It is noted that Applicants need only specify one of the errors upon which reissue is based. Where Applicants specify one such error, the requirement of the reissue declaration is satisfied. MPEP 1414(II)(B).

The declaration submitted herewith is signed by the Assignee of the present application. Enclosed for the Examiner's convenience is a copy of a Decision granting Applicants' petition under 37. CFR 1.47(b) for filing on behalf of an unwilling inventor.

Applicants submit that the declaration is now in conformance with 35 U.S.C. §251. Withdrawal of this objection to the declaration is respectfully requested.

Claims Rejection

Claims 1-22 are rejected as being based upon a defective reissue declaration under 35 U.S.C. §251. For the reasons discussed above with regards to the Oath/Declaration, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1-22 are now in condition for allowance.

Allowable Subject Matter

The Examiner indicated claims 1-22 are allowed over the prior art of record. Applicants thank the Examiner for this notification.

SUMMARY

It is respectfully submitted that each of the presently pending claims (claims 1-22) is in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is requested. The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' representative at the below-listed telephone number if it is believed that prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby.



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Respectfully submitted,

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